

COURSE SYLLABUS



COURSE TITLE:	ACCT 240 – Taxation 1
CLASS SECTION:	001
TERM:	Winter 2024
COURSE CREDITS:	3.0
DELIVERY METHOD(S):	In-person classes Wednesday and Friday

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INSTRUCTOR DETAILS

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As your course instructor, I endeavour to provide an inclusive learning environment. However, if you experience barriers to learning in this course, do not hesitate to discuss them with me. Camosun College is committed to identifying and removing institutional and social barriers that prevent access and impede success.

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION

Students will learn Canadian personal income tax at an introductory level. Topics covered include sources of employment income, property income, capital gains, business income, capital cost allowance, other income, other deductions, taxes payable, and Goods and Services Tax.

PREREQUISITE(S):	C in ACCT 110
CO-REQUISITE(S):	n/a
EXCLUSION(S):	n/a

Camosun College (2021) Calendar Description retrieved from: Camosun College (2021) Calendar Description retrieved from: <http://camosun.ca/learn/calendar/current/web/acct.html>

Ω Please note: This outline will not be kept indefinitely. We recommended students keep this outline for their records, especially to assist in transfer credit to post-secondary institutions.

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES / OBJECTIVES

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Calculate the appropriate amount of income and tax liability for individuals.
2. Differentiate between the various types of income and determine their proper treatment for tax calculations.
3. Recognize that tax provisions have various economic and/or social policy reasons for them.

REQUIRED MATERIALS & RECOMMENDED PREPARATION / INFORMATION

Computer and software requirements

- The course will be delivered online using Camosun College’s Desire2Learn (D2L) platform which you can access online at [online.camosun.ca](https://camosun.ca). For instructions on how to first access D2L, please see https://camosun.teamdynamix.com/TDClient/67/Portal/KB/ArticleDet?ID=1609#domain_account
- As a Camosun student, you qualify for a free Office 365 subscription. Please see details at <https://legacy.camosun.ca/services/its/other-services.html>. If you need to borrow a laptop or hotspot, there is a limited supply that are loaned to students by Camosun College.
- Your computer hardware and software need to meet the minimum standards set by Camosun College <https://camosun.ca/services/student-orientation/online-learning>. For D2L, it is recommended that you use Chrome as your browser.
- You will require a strong internet connection, webcam, microphone, and secondary electronic device (tablet or cell phone) for the midterm and final exam.

Course pack will be provided on D2L.

Other:

- Canada Revenue Agency’s (CRA) Website
- Non-programmable, non-textual calculator

Mandatory Attendance for First Class Meeting

This section requires mandatory attendance for the first class meeting of the course. If you do not attend, and do not provide your instructor with a reasonable explanation in advance, you will be removed from the course and the space offered to the next waitlisted student. For more information, please see the “Attendance” section under “Registration Policies for Students” [Registration Policies for Students | Camosun College](#)

COURSE SCHEDULE, TOPICS, AND ASSOCIATED PREPARATION / ACTIVITY / EVALUATION

The following schedule and course components are subject to change with reasonable advance notice, as deemed appropriate by the instructor

WEEK	DATE RANGE	TOPIC	ASSIGNED READING - CHAPTERS	DUE DATES
1	January 8 - 14	Introduction to tax	1	Academic integrity quiz due Friday, January 12th 11:59pm (80% grade required to gain access to module quizzes)
2	January 15 - 21	GST and PST	11 & 12	GST Big Data Project due Tuesday, January 23rd 11:59pm Module quiz #1 (Ch 1, 11, 12) due Monday, January 22nd 11:59pm

WEEK	DATE RANGE	TOPIC	ASSIGNED READING - CHAPTERS	DUE DATES
3	January 22 - 28	Depreciable Property (CCA)	3	Module quiz #2 (Ch 3) due Monday, January 29 th 11:59pm
4	January 29 – February 4	Property Income	4	T5 Project due Tuesday, February 6 th 11:59pm Module quiz #3 (Ch 4) due Monday, February 5 th 11:59pm
5	February 5 – February 11	Employment Income and Expenses	2	
6	February 12 – February 18	Employment Income and Expenses (continued)		T4 Project due Monday February 26 th 11:59pm Module quiz #4 (Ch 2) due Monday, February 26 th 11:59pm
7	February 19 – February 25	READING BREAK – no new content coverage this week		
8	February 26 – March 3	MIDTERM – March 1st		Midterm exam March 1 st in class – more detailed information posted to D2L closer to exam date
9	March 4 – March 10	Capital Gains	6	Module quiz #5 (Ch 6) due Monday, March 11 th 11:59pm
10	March 11 – March 17	Business Income	8	Module quiz #6 (Ch 8) due Monday, March 18 th 11:59pm
11	March 18 – March 24	Other income and Deductions	5,7	Module quiz #7 (Ch 5,7) due Monday, March 25 th 11:59pm
12	March 25 – March 31	Determination of Taxable Income and Tax Payable	9,10	Module quiz #8 (Ch 9,10) due Monday, April 1 st 11:59pm
13	April 1 – April 7	T1 Project		T1 Project due Tuesday, April 9 th 11:59pm
14	April 8 – April 14	Review		
April 15 - 23, W2024 Final Exam Period. Exact time and location TBA.				

Students registered with the Centre for Accessible Learning (CAL) who complete quizzes, tests, and exams with academic accommodations have booking procedures and deadlines with CAL where advanced notice is required. Deadlines can be reviewed on the [CAL exams page](http://camosun.ca/services/accessible-learning/exams.html). <http://camosun.ca/services/accessible-learning/exams.html>

EVALUATION OF LEARNING

DESCRIPTION	WEIGHTING
Projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • T5 (3%) • T4 (3%) • T1 (7%) • GST (2%) 	15%
Module quizzes (1 quiz will be dropped)	12%
“Dear tax student” discussion board posts	3%
Exams <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Midterm (30%) • Final Exam (40%) 	70%
TOTAL	100%

If you have a concern about a grade you have received for an evaluation, please come and see me as soon as possible. Refer to the [Grade Review and Appeals](http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.14.pdf) policy for more information. <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.14.pdf>

COURSE GUIDELINES & EXPECTATIONS

Exams:

Exams in this course will be written during class time (see above schedule for date).

The only material allowed in an exam is a calculator, pen or pencil, highlighter, eraser, and **a student-prepared 8.5x11 reference sheet (midterm 1-sided; final exam 2-sided)**. Details regarding the reference sheet requirements and restrictions will be provided on D2L. The midterm and final exams are closed book.

Projects:

To provide practical experience you will be completing four projects including the preparation of T5s, T4s, a T1 and a GST Project that uses big data.

The GST Big Data Project uses Excel Pivot Tables, you will need to use the desktop version of Office365, which is available free for student download (<https://legacy.camosun.ca/services/its/other-services.html>).

The T1 project uses **Profile 2023** Software (not MAC compatible). A link is provided on D2L if you wish to download the student version of the software to your personal computer. If you have not had experience with Profile software previously, you are strongly advised to review the training from Profile (see link on D2L). The project covers all topics in personal tax.

Chat GPT and other AI tools. During this course, you are going to be required to complete a number of written assignments. Can you use AI to complete this!? Maybe! If you choose to use AI for one of your written assignments, you must DISCLOSE that you have used it and indicate which portion of the text was prepared by AI versus prepared by you. Within your report, you must include a discussion on WHY you used chat GPT, how it helped you, and what areas it left out. Did you make any edits to what it gave you? **If I find that chat GPT has been used and not disclosed, even when permitted, academic integrity penalties will be applied. AI is not appropriate in response to debrief questions or reflections on self-learning, and cannot be used in exams.**

SCHOOL OR DEPARTMENTAL INFORMATION

Assignment formatting. The School of Business uses APA style for formatting assignments and citing references. Proper citations and formatting using APA style will be required. See Camosun College (2018) Library Citation Guides retrieved from: <http://camosun.ca.libguides.com/apa7>

- Where required by your instructor, submit all assignments into the D2L assignments by your last name.
- In text citations for quotes, paraphrasing, and references must be consistent with APA standards.
- Grammar, spelling, style and APA formatting, citations and referencing will be assessed in your mark.
- All submitted work must be properly referenced to sources where required by your instructor.
- Unless otherwise specified, you are to submit your own work, any work collaborated (unless permitted by the course) will be considered in violation of the college's Student Conduct Policy. See Camosun College (2003) Student Conduct Policy from: <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-2-student-services-and-support/e-2.5.pdf>.

Deadlines and exams. You must submit your assignments on the due date or as announced. A grade of zero will be assigned to late submissions. There are no additional assignments or make-up exams of any kind if you performed poorly on an assignment, midterm or final exam.

- **EXAM DATES WILL NOT BE RESCHEDULED.** Non-attendance on scheduled exam dates results in a zero grade. Exceptions will be made only for personal emergencies or unforeseeable extenuating circumstances in accordance with the College's Final Exam Reschedule and Repeat Policy <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2022-11/e-1.17.pdf>
- Students registered through the Centre for Accessible Learning (CAL) should discuss timelines with their instructors at the beginning of each semester.
- Medical notes must be dated, signed, and be written on letterhead or prescription paper imprinted with the physician's name and address. Notes are accepted from Physician (GP or medical specialist), Nurse Practitioner, Psychiatrist, Psychologist, Counsellor and Aboriginal Elder. Electronic notes will not be accepted. Medical documentation must be received as soon as reasonably possible.

Recommended Materials/Resources to Assist Students to Succeed Throughout the Course

[Camosun Learning Skills page](#) and [Camosun Learning Skills Guides](#)

[Camosun Writing Centres: Tools and Resources](#)

[APA 7th Edition Workbook](#)

[Purdue Online Writing Lab \(OWL\)](#)

[SFU Essay Assignment Calculator](#) (Camosun's [Time Management Guide](#) also links to this page)

Employment Opportunities. Job positions for Co-op work terms, non-Co-op work terms, and full-time employment are posted on Camosun's employment website. See Camosun College (2018) Co-op and Career Portal from: <https://educationthatworks.camosun.ca/>.

Accounting and Finance Students

Want to know more about events happening in the Accounting and Finance department, including recruiting and networking events? Check out <http://camosun.ca/cpa2b> for current events.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY

Enrolment at Camosun assumes that the student will become a responsible member of the College community. As such, each student will display a positive work ethic, assist in the preservation of College property, and assume responsibility for their education by researching academic requirements and policies; demonstrating courtesy and respect toward others; and respecting expectations concerning attendance, assignments, deadlines, and appointments.

SUPPORTS AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

Camosun College offers a number of services to help you succeed in and out of the classroom. For a detailed overview of the supports and services visit <http://camosun.ca/students/>.

Support Service	Website
Academic Advising	camosun.ca/services/academic-supports/academic-advising
Accessible Learning	camosun.ca/services/academic-supports/accessible-learning
Counselling	camosun.ca/services/health-and-wellness/counselling-centre
Career Services	camosun.ca/services/co-operative-education-and-career-services
Financial Aid and Awards	camosun.ca/registration-records/financial-aid-awards
Help Centres (Math/English/Science)	camosun.ca/services/academic-supports/help-centres
Indigenous Student Support	camosun.ca/programs-courses/iecc/indigenous-student-services
International Student Support	camosun.ca/international
Learning Skills	camosun.ca/services/academic-supports/help-centres/writing-centre-learning-skills

Support Service	Website
Library	camosun.ca/services/library
Office of Student Support	camosun.ca/services/office-student-support
Ombudsperson	camosun.ca/services/ombudsperson
Registration	camosun.ca/registration-records/registration
Technology Support	camosun.ca/services/its
Writing Centre	camosun.ca/services/academic-supports/help-centres/writing-centre-learning-skills

If you have a mental health concern, please contact Counselling to arrange an appointment as soon as possible. Counselling sessions are available at both campuses during business hours. If you need urgent support after-hours, please contact the Vancouver Island Crisis Line at 1-888-494-3888 or call 911.

COLLEGE-WIDE POLICIES, PROCEDURES, REQUIREMENTS, AND STANDARDS

Academic Integrity

Students are expected to comply with all College policy regarding academic integrity; which is about honest and ethical behaviour in your education journey. The following guide is designed to help you understand your responsibilities: <https://camosun.libguides.com/academicintegrity/welcome>

Please visit <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-1.13.pdf> for Camosun's Academic Integrity policy and details for addressing and resolving matters of academic misconduct.

Academic Accommodations for Students with Disabilities

Camosun College is committed to achieving full accessibility for persons with disabilities. Part of this commitment includes arranging appropriate academic accommodations for students with disabilities to ensure they have an equitable opportunity to participate in all of their academic activities. If you are a student with a documented disability and think you may need accommodations, you are strongly encouraged to contact the Centre for Accessible Learning (CAL) and register as early as possible. Please visit the CAL website for more information about the process of registering with CAL, including important deadlines:

<https://camosun.ca/cal>

Academic Progress

Please visit <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2023-02/e-1.1.pdf> for further details on how Camosun College monitors students' academic progress and what steps can be taken if a student is at risk of not meeting the College's academic progress standards.

Course Withdrawals Policy

Please visit <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-2.2.pdf> for further details about course withdrawals. For deadline for fees, course drop dates, and tuition refund, please visit <https://camosun.ca/registration-records/tuition-fees#deadlines>.

Grading Policy

Please visit <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-1.5.pdf> for further details about grading.

Grade Review and Appeals

Please visit <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-1.14.pdf> for policy relating to requests for review and appeal of grades.

Medical / Compassionate Withdrawals

Students who are incapacitated and unable to complete or succeed in their studies by virtue of serious and demonstrated exceptional circumstances may be eligible for a medical/compassionate withdrawal (see [policy](#)). Please visit <https://camosun.ca/services/forms#medical> to learn more about the process involved in a medical/compassionate withdrawal.

Sexual Violence and Misconduct

Camosun is committed to creating a campus culture of safety, respect, and consent. Camosun's Office of Student Support is responsible for offering support to students impacted by sexual violence. Regardless of when or where the sexual violence or misconduct occurred, students can access support at Camosun. The Office of Student Support will make sure students have a safe and private place to talk and will help them understand what supports are available and their options for next steps. The Office of Student Support respects a student's right to choose what is right for them. For more information see Camosun's Sexualized Violence and Misconduct Policy: <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-2.9.pdf> and camosun.ca/services/sexual-violence-support-and-education. To contact the Office of Student Support: oss@camosun.ca or by phone: 250-370-3046 or 250-370-3841

Student Misconduct (Non-Academic)

Camosun College is committed to building the academic competency of all students, seeks to empower students to become agents of their own learning, and promotes academic belonging for everyone. Camosun also expects that all students to conduct themselves in a manner that contributes to a positive, supportive, and safe learning environment. Please review Camosun College's Student Misconduct Policy at <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-2.5.pdf> to understand the College's expectations of academic integrity and student behavioural conduct.

Looking for other policies?

The full suite of College policies and directives can be found here: <https://camosun.ca/about/camosun-college-policies-and-directives>

Changes to this Syllabus: Every effort has been made to ensure that information in this syllabus is accurate at the time of publication. The College reserves the right to change courses if it becomes necessary so that course content remains relevant. In such cases, the instructor will give the students clear and timely notice of the changes.